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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: ICHIKAWA, Naoya et al. Conf.: 5132
Appl. No.: 09/986,374 Group: 1711
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For: LOW ALLERGENIC NATURAL RUBBER AND METHOD OF
PREPARING LOW ALLERGENIC NATURAL RUBBER (As
Amended)

REPLY TO EX PARTE QUAYLE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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November 17, 2003

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action (*Ex Parte Quayle*) dated September 17, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims begin on begin on page 3.

Remarks begin on page 7.